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SUBJECT: KIDNAPPING OF SEARS EXECUTIVE DONALD COOPER

SITREP 15

REF A) BOGOTA 7870 B) BOGOTA 9134

1. WE UNDERSTAND COOPER KIDNAPPERS AGAIN CONTACTED SEARS OFFICIALS SEPT 30 AND AGAIN ON OCT 1 AND 4. CALLS WERE EFFORT TO SPEAK TO MRS. COOPER. WHEN TOLD MRS. COOPER WAS NOT IN COUNTRY THEY SPOKE TO SEARS OFFICIALS. KIDNAPPERS ASKED IF SEARS WAS PREPARED TO MAKE SERIOUS OFFER, AND SEARS OFFICIAL OFFERED SEVEN AND A HALF MILLION PESOS (APPROXIMATELY \$230,000). KIDNAPPERS SAID THEY WILL CALL BACK IN ABOUT WEEK. SEARS OFFICIALS BELIEVES KIDNAPPERS WILL SERIOUSLY CONSIDER OFFER. KIDNAPPERS STATED THAT THEY WISHED TO GET COOPER OFF THEIR HANDS BECAUSE HE WAS SICK.

2. IN THESE LATER CALLS, KIDNAPPERS DID NOT REPEAT EARLIER THREATS TO PRESSURE SEARS INTO ACQUIESCENCE TO THEIR DEMANDS, NOR HAVE THEY IN FACT TAKEN ACTIONS THEY THREATENED TO (REF B).
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